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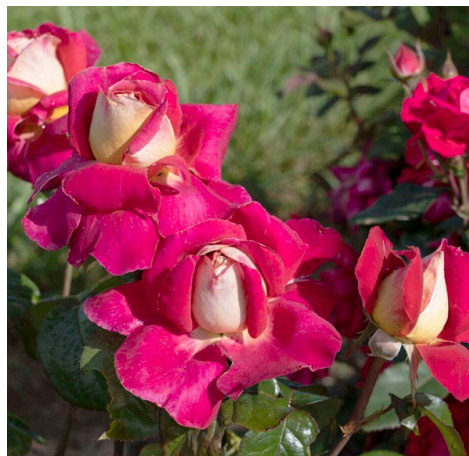
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## New Roses Make Their Debut In '24

By WAN Staff



*Cherries & Champagne by Star Roses*



*Cosmic Clouds*

### Cherries & Champagne

Lightly fragrant with red to deep pink cup-like petals that open to reveal a creamy yellow reverse.

### Cosmic Clouds

Strong citrus fragrance from rich pink flowers offering up a white reverse.

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We are not going to count the different varieties and sizes of roses in stock but suffice it to say **there are more than 400!** You'll find shrub roses, climbers, minis, tree roses (18", 24", 36" and 48") and David Austin roses (due mid-January). Many are the old favorites that we stocked last year but there are a few **new ones that made their 2024 debut** to tell you about.

## Leek, Onion & Asparagus Alert!

By WAN Staff



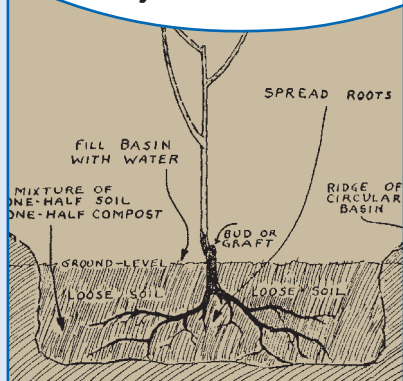
**Short day onions** are the best types for Southern California gardens. Leek and onion starts are due to arrive in both stores around Jan. 15. These are perishable and should be planted ASAP.

Select a place with plenty of room and full sunlight. Onions will grow quite large if they're given enough space, so keep in mind that the more area they have to grow, the larger

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## Welcome To Bareroot Fruit Tree Season

By WAN Staff



They start out not so pretty. Lots of sticks and not a leaf to be seen. You have to trust that it will all work out. It does and it's worth remembering that the fruit trees that will soon be leafed out and blooming, start with the stick.

Bareroot fruit trees are here and while we had an early shipment

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## Bareroot Fruit Tree Season

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of sleeved varieties, those not-so-pretty sticks are here. There are a few new varieties of fruit trees such as Brooks cherries, Honey Jar jujube, Goldmine nectarine, and Double Jewel peach.

See the PDF list of fruit trees by following this link to our website: [www.walterandersen.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/2024FruitTreeListF1\\_12Dec23.pdf](http://www.walterandersen.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/2024FruitTreeListF1_12Dec23.pdf). •



*Goldmine nectarine*



*Double Jewel peach*

Photos: Dave Wilson Nursery

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*Desert Sky by Star Roses*



*Powerpuff by Star Roses*



*Romantica Ball Gown by Star Roses*



*Sunblaze Dragon by Star Roses*

### Desert Sky

Only a slight fragrance but brick orange blooms with undertones of mauve and cedar, much like a west coast sunset.

### Powerpuff

Electric pink blooms are reminiscent of peonies with the addition of a moderate lemongrass fragrance.

### Romantica Ball Gown

Medium pink rose with an intense fragrance of classic rose, grass and powder.

### Sunblaze Dragon

Deep pink to red blooms with a slight fragrance.

There are some new Knock Out roses like the yellow flowered **Knock Out Breezy** and the **Knock Out Orange Glow** that blooms with double orange flowers tinged with coral, yellow and pink.



*Knock Out Orange Glow by Star Roses*

The oldest rose we have is **Zepherine Drouhin** which was introduced in 1868!!

Download the 2024 rose list PDF at [www.walterandersen.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/2024RosesList.pdf](http://www.walterandersen.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/2024RosesList.pdf). •





## Are You On Trend For 2024?

By Melanie Potter



**Goth**



**Straw Bales**



**Hanging Basket Edibles**

When *Lawn & Garden Retailer* magazine published their November-December issue, I was happy to see an article outlining six garden trends to have on your radar for 2024. Some were intriguing, some made me wonder why it took so long to become a trend, and one reinforced the 'been there, doing it' approach.

### Goth

So, what's new? Goth gardening is growing because the interest in dark colored foliage is increasing. There are many interpretations of a goth garden, including a horticultural nod to Harry Potter so it's not just for Halloween! Look for dark foliage plants, add mystery to your landscape with urns, broken statuary, silver gazing balls, or old wrought iron pieces.

### Weather-Wise

Weather-wise gardening, which we do in San Diego County, includes seeking plants that are drought-tolerant and fire-wise. Blame it on extreme weather patterns that has sent gardeners nation wide choosing plants that will live in harmony with Mother Nature. Our climate allows for choices that include California natives, Australian and African native plants, cactus and succulents.

### Small Spaces

Does your vegetable garden look like

a mini farm in your backyard? Well, not everyone has that kind of space so plant breeders listened and have introduced vegetable plants that can grow in a container, hanging basket or even indoors on a kitchen counter. Fresh herbs do well in a kitchen window and you can also find mini cucumbers and peppers.

### Hanging Basket Edibles

That lack of space has led plant breeders to introduce edibles in containers and hanging baskets that only need a small space on a patio. This is another trend that allows you to hang edibles in baskets alongside your ornamentals.

### Straw Bales

Straw bale gardening isn't new and was developed 32 years ago by Joel Karsten, owner of SBG, however, it isn't widely seen. It's as easy as

grabbing a straw bale, placing it anywhere, and adding some plants. The straw bale becomes the planter! No longer a novelty, it has caught on with more than one million people on board and 60 plus countries where people grow using this method.

### Chaos

Chaos gardening sounds too easy but may not be for everyone, especially if you like to know what is planted where. Just like it sounds, there is no rhyme or reason to where plants grow because you take a handful of seeds and scatter them throughout the landscape. Mix up those seeds too, so you may have carrots growing with flowers.

Are you on trend? Any plans to get on trend, or do you think you'll stick with what's tried and true for you? •

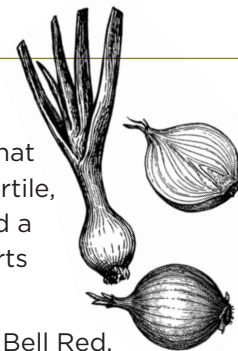
## Leek, Onion continued from p1

the bulbs you will get. Avoid planting them in a location that is shaded by larger plants or trees. Onions grow best in fertile, well-drained soil. Incorporate plenty of organic matter and a complete fertilizer into the soil before planting. Onion starts should be planted 3-4 inches apart in the row.

Choose from Texas Legend, Texas Supersweet\*, Southern Bell Red, Yellow Granex, White Bermuda\*, and also Lancelot leeks.

If you are thinking of enjoying **asparagus** this spring, look for UC157 which is in limited supply and available now.

\*Available at the San Diego store only. •





## Recipe: Curried Split Pea Soup

By WAN Staff



After looking for a warm winter dish, we rediscovered this delicious soup in our newsletter archives from 2010. Enjoy!

### Ingredients:

2 tablespoons unsalted butter

1 cup chopped onion

Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

1 tablespoon minced fresh garlic

12 ounces dried green or yellow split peas, picked over and rinsed

5 cups chicken broth

1 tablespoon curry powder

### Directions:

Place the butter into a large (4 to 6-quart) saucepan over medium-low heat. Once melted, add the onion and a generous pinch of salt and sweat for 2 to 3 minutes. Add the garlic and continue to sweat for an additional 1 to 2 minutes, making certain not to allow onions or garlic to brown.

Add the peas, chicken broth and curry powder. Increase heat to high and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low, cover and cook at a simmer until the peas are tender and not holding their shape any longer, approximately 45 to 50 minutes. Taste and adjust seasoning as needed. Using care and a stick blender, puree the soup until the desired consistency. Watch out for hot splatters. •

## To Do List: January



Look for Pyracantha

### Planting

This is the **ideal time to plant** bare root roses, fruit trees, and ornamentals. Leek starts are due mid-month as are short day onion starts. **Plant these vegetables now:** Artichoke, Asparagus (crowns), Beets (seed), Broccoli, Cabbage, Carrots (seed), Celery, Endive, Kale, Kohlrabi (seed), Lettuce, Onions, Parsley, Parsnips, Peas, Radish (seed), Spinach, Swiss Chard, and Turnips (seed). **Look for these:** Camellias, Azaleas, Holly, Pyracantha, roses and fruit trees. **Don't miss** Pansies, Violas, Stocks and Snapdragons.

### Pruning

Now is the time to prune roses, deciduous trees, shrubs, and vines including fruit trees, grapes and berry vines. **Pruning Tools:** Use well-maintained, sharp shears. Replace worn Felco pruner blades and springs with new ones for easier pruning.

### Pest Control

Dormant Spray for diseases and over wintering insects. Use oil spray to control overwintering insects and insect eggs. Use Liqui-Cop to control fungus on fruit trees and roses, Peach Leaf Curl and more on peaches and nectarines.

### Lawn Care

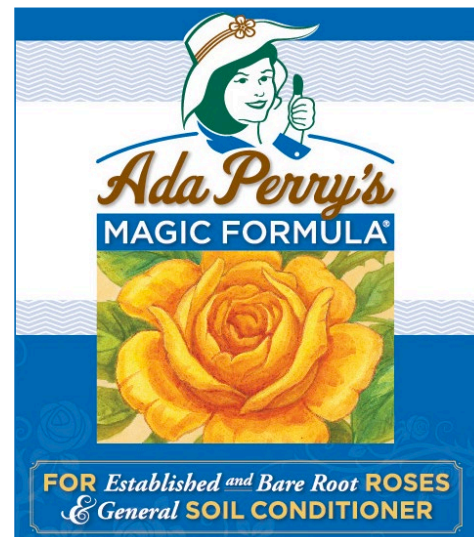
Apply High Yield Weed & Feed to prevent Crabgrass and other



Time to prune



Plant beets, carrots, turnips and more



Use Ada Perry's for roses

weed seed from germinating as the weather warms up.

### Roses

**Ada Perry's Magic Formula:** Apply to established roses and add with fertilizer when planting. •



## Holiday Hours & Closings

### December 31

Poway store closes  
at 2pm

### January 1

### New Year's Day

Both stores closed



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## Garden Classes: January

Saturday classes are **FREE** and last about an hour. Complimentary coffee is served. During inclement weather, classes are held indoors in San Diego and on the covered, heated patio in Poway. Topics are subject to change. See the full schedule at <https://www.walterandersen.com/classes-events/>.

### SAN DIEGO STARTS AT 9:00AM

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Bareroot Fruit Trees  
with Kurt Peacock

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Year Round Color for  
San Diego Gardens  
with Chuck McClung

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Rose Care  
with Beth Van Boxtel of the  
San Diego Rose Society

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Pest ID  
with Kathleen

### POWAY STARTS AT 9:30AM

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Fruit Tree Spraying & Pruning  
with Tyler Trimble

1/13

Bare Root Fruit Tree  
Planting & Pruning  
with Adams

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Bare Root Roses  
with Celeste Burns

1/27

Blueberries Care, Culture  
& Varieties  
with Richard Wright



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